

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

FEB 05 2004

OFFICIAL

Certificate of Facsimile
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted
by facsimile to the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office
at (703) 872-9314 February 5, 2004
(Date of Facsimile)

FRANK C. NICHOLAS (33 983)
Name of applicant, assignee or registered representative

Frank C. Nicholas
Signature

February 5, 2004
Date of Signature

PATENT
Case No. US 000403
(7790/325)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

ANTONIO J. COLMENAREZ, ET AL

Serial No.: 09/746,045

Filed: DECEMBER 22, 2000

For: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Examiner: L. Shapiro

Group Art Unit: 2673

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2003

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendments
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2003, Applicants request

Amendment of the above-identified application as follows:

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

FEB 05 2004

OFFICIAL**OFFICIAL****CARDINAL LAW GROUP**

1603 Orrington Avenue/Suite 2000
Evanston, Illinois 60201
Telephone 847 - 905 - 7111
Facsimile 847 - 905 - 7113

**CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEY-CLIENT
PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION**

Date: FEBRUARY 5, 2004

To: EXAMINER L. SHAPIRO
U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Fax #: (703) 872-9314

From: FRANK C. NICHOLAS
Fax #: (847) 424-2521

Client/Matter No.: US 000403 (7790/325)

of Pages: 17
(including cover sheet)

IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS RECEIVING THIS MESSAGE, PLEASE CALL 847/905-7111, Ext. 2280 AND ASK FOR JENNIFER CRUZ.

THIS MESSAGE IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY TO WHICH IT IS ADDRESSED. IT MAY CONTAIN PRIVILEGED, CONFIDENTIAL, ATTORNEY WORK PRODUCT, OR TRADE SECRET INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER APPLICABLE LAWS. IF YOU ARE NOT THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, OR AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERING THE MESSAGE TO THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ANY DISSEMINATION, DISTRIBUTION, OR COPYING OF THIS MESSAGE IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS MESSAGE IN ERROR, PLEASE NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE AND RETURN THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE (AND ALL COPIES) TO US BY MAIL AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS. WE WILL REIMBURSE YOU FOR POSTAGE.

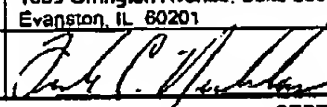
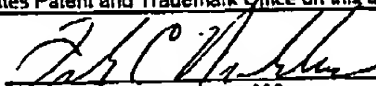
PTO Form 1-1790 is approved for use through 12/31/04. One modification: remove the Transmittal Form. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
When the Patent and Trademark Office receives this form, it will be processed as a transmittal of correspondence to the Office.

TRANSMITTAL FORM <small>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</small>	Attorney Docket No	US 000403 (7790/325)
	Application Number	09/746,045
	Filing Date	DECEMBER 22, 2000
	First Named Inventor	ANTONIO J. COLMENAREZ
	Group Art Unit	2673
	Examiner	SHAPIRO, LEONID

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Response to Office Action Dated November 19, 2003 <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input type="checkbox"/> Petition for Extension of Time Request (duplex) <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, an <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application) <input type="checkbox"/> Drawings. <input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group <input type="checkbox"/> Petition Routing Slip (PTO/5B/69) and Accompanying Petition <input type="checkbox"/> To Convert a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation/Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Request of Refund	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Post Card Receipt <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Enclosure(s) (please identify below) <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1713. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 50-1713. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.		

CALCULATION OF FEE

				Small Entity		or		Large Entity	
	Claims After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee		Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus		0	\$9=	0		\$18=	
Indep.		Minus		0	\$43	0		\$86	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					\$145			\$290=	
					total add'l fee			total add'l fee	
					\$ 0			\$	

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT			
Firm or Individual name	FRANK C. NICHOLAS Registration No. 33,983 CARDINAL LAW GROUP 1603 Orrington Avenue, Suite 2000 Evanston, IL 60201		
Signature		Date	February 5, 2004
CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE			
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to (703) 872-9314 to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on this date			February 5, 2004
Signature		Date	February 5, 2004
FRANK C. NICHOLAS (33,983)			